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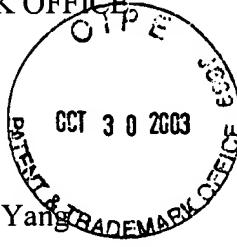
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Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 3, 2003, the claims of Group I Claims 1-7, 14-19, 23 and 25 drawn to a method for attaching a biological molecule to a silane treated glass surface having an end-capped amino group, classified in class 427, subclass 337 are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

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